

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re New Application      Zhangzhen JIANG et al.

Applicant:      Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd.

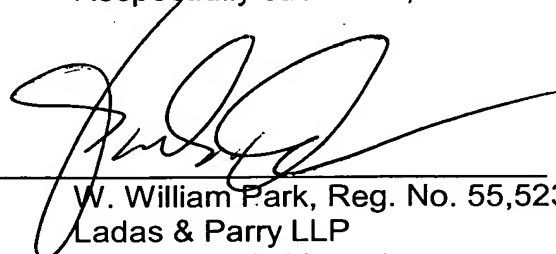
For:      Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SDH) Tributary Module and SDH Equipment  
NodeCommissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment to the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins  
on page 3 of this paper.Claims 4-6 and 10 have been amended to remove the multiple dependency  
format, and Claims 11-18 have been added. No new matter has been added. Claims  
1-18 are now pending.

Respectfully submitted,



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